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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)	
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Jonnie R. WILLIAMS	)	
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Serial No. 09/397,018	)	Group Art Unit: 1731
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Filed: September 15, 1999	)	Examiner: M. Colaianni
	)	
For: IMPROVED METHOD OF TREATING	)	Atty. Dkt. No.: 04859.84703
TOBACCO TO REDUCE NITROSAMINE	)	
CONTENT, AND PRODUCTS PRODUCED	)	
THEREBY	)	

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**

The Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed May 1, 2000, for which a one month extension is requested, extending the period for response up to and including September 1, 2000, please enter the following amendment and reconsider the above-captioned application in view of the following remarks. A check for a one-month extension (\$55 - Small Entity) is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account 19-0733 for any additional fee required or if an overpayment of fees is made.

**AMENDMENT**

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please cancel claims 1, 4, 10, 14-19, and 21-52 without prejudice.

In claims 2, 11, 12, and 13, at line 1 of each claim, please change "claim 1" to --claim 53--.

Please add new claims 53-68 as follows.